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**1997 USAF Public
Health Awards:
Public Health Officer
and
**Colonel Cleveland L.
Parker Award**
(outstanding PH technician)**



The following text is copied from HQ USAF/SGW message, Annual Call for Medical Service Awards, 30 Oct 97 (bold face added by me):

1. ALL MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES, MEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES, MAJCOMS, DRUS, AND FOAS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR NOMINEES FOR SUBJECT AWARDS FOR THE PERIOD OF **1 JAN 97 THROUGH 31 DEC 97** IN ACCORDANCE WITH AIR FORCE INSTRUCTION AFI 36-2856, SEP 97. THE AWARDS ARE FOR CALENDAR YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS. PLEASE ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE COORDINATION IS ACCOMPLISHED IAW MAJCOM/FOA/DRU GUIDELINES. THE PACKAGE WILL CONTAIN A **NOMINATION LETTER** AND A **NARRATIVE SUMMARY**. THE NOMINATION LETTER WILL INCLUDE NOMINEE'S NAME RANK, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, AND BRIEF SUPPORTING RATIONALE. IT SHOULD STATE THAT THERE IS NO UIF FOR THE

PERIOD FOR WHICH THE AWARD IS GIVEN. MUST BE SIGNED BY THE NOMINEE'S SUPERVISOR, BE ENDORSED BY THE NOMINEE'S CHAIN OF COMMAND, APPROVED BY THE ORGANIZATION COMMANDER AND COORDINATED THROUGH WING, BASE COMMANDER OR

EQUIVALENT. SUBMIT THE NARRATIVE SUMMARY TYPED ON AN AIR FORCE FORM **1206** (NOMINATION FOR AWARD) LIMITED TO **TWO SIDES** USING BULLET FORMAT ONLY (10 OR 12 PITCH). NOMINATIONS SHOULD INCLUDE SPECIFIC FACTS AND EXAMPLES SHOWING THAT THE INDIVIDUALS ARE EXCEPTIONAL NOMINATIONS. **MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AREAS** CITING EXAMPLES: LEADERSHIP AND JOB PERFORMANCE IN PRIMARY DUTY, LEADERSHIP QUALITIES, SIGNIFICANT SELF-IMPROVEMENT, OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ARTICULATE AND POSITIVE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AIR FORCE. TEAM AWARDS PACKAGES WILL USE THESE SAME CATEGORIES, REFLECTING TEAM AS WELL AS INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS, AS APPROPRIATE.

4. MAJCOMS DETERMINE THEIR OWN METHOD FOR SELECTION OF WINNERS AND ESTABLISH A SUSPENSE DATE THAT WOULD ALLOW THEM REASONABLE TIME TO PROCESS

NOMINATIONS. FORWARD ALL
NOMINATIONS TO THE AWARD **OPR** TO
ARRIVE NLT **28 FEB**.

The version of AFI 36-2856 I found on my
AFEPL has the PHO and Colonel Cleveland L.
Parker Award criteria listed in atch 18 and 19.

MAJCOMS/DRUs/FOAs will provide you with
details concerning submission procedures and
dates. Each **MAJCOM/DRU/FOA** is asked to
send their **PHO** nomination package to **Col
Cropper** at AFMOA. Please send your Colonel
Cleveland L. **Parker Award** nomination to
CMSgt MacDonald at USAFSAM. Request
your nominations arrive by **28 Feb 97**.

This is the 11th year of the Colonel Cleveland L.
Parker Award, and the 7th PHO. Past winners:

Cleveland L Parker Award

1987 - SMSgt John Blackburn
1988 - MSgt Daniel M. Montgomery
1989 - SMSgt William B. Ergenbright
1990 - SSgt Cesar Romero
1991 - TSgt William R. Mann
1992 - TSgt Michele K. Wylie
1993 - SSgt Gwendolyn M. Boleware
1994 - MSgt Alex J. Autry
1995 - TSgt Mickey D. Howard
1996 - SSgt Terry L. Patterson

PHO of Year Award

1991 - Capt Wayne Korn
1992 - Maj James Riddle
1993 - Maj Michael Bunning
1994 - Maj Babara Larcom (staff)
1994 - Maj Rex Brennan (base)
1995 - Capt Joy Miller
1996 - Maj Timothy Wells

In the words of a Commander I served at the
16th Special Operations Wing, Colonel Rich
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nominate those people that carry the heavy
load for us day to day.

Some may not want to be nominated. I
understand that position and respect it.
However, please consider two things: (1) we
begin making SMSgt (via a board review of
our career records) when we are Airmen - not
when we are MSGts, and (2), when we select
the right people for these awards, we do
honor not just to those selected, but also to
the awards themselves.

I look forward to the very painful process of
helping to select one 4E from among the 1000
active duty and ARC 4E professionals.
(I know Dr Cropper feels the same about his
task regarding our excellent officers).

Help us find and reward our heavy lifters.

Best of luck to all and thanks to all for an
awesome job in 1997.

Reminder:

Please keep sending me details of the **awards
and accomplishments of your troops
during 1997**. They will be featured in an
upcoming *Public Health Airmen - Excellence
in Action* article in this newsletter.



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